

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
 Jens Hake et al.  
 Serial No. 09-763075  
 Filed:  
 Title: METHOD FOR THE REAL-TIME  
 BILLING OF TELECOMMUNICATION LINKS  
 WHEN A SUBSCRIBER IS LOCATED  
 OUTSIDE HIS HOME NETWORK

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT DELETING  
 MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please enter the following amendments to the application.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

In claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

In claim 4, line 1, delete "one of claims 1-3" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 5, line 1, delete "one of claims 1-4" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 6, line 1, delete "one of claims 1-5" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

In claim 7, line 1, delete "any one of claims 1-6" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.

Please add the following new claims:

--8. A process according to claim 2, characterized in that upon the arising of a desire on the part of the calling subscriber (1) for a connection, an information telegram (6) that contains at least the desired target number of the called subscriber (4) and the identity of the calling subscriber (1) is first sent by the calling subscriber (1) to a special network element (7) located in the home network (3), and the special network element (7), after a check of the data contained in the received telegram message (6), establishes the connections (8, 9) to the called- and to the calling subscribers (4, 1).

9. A process according to claim 2, characterized in that the telegram message (6) is drafted and sent as a Short Message (SMS).

10. A process according to claim 3, characterized in that the telegram message (6) is drafted and sent as a Short Message (SMS).

11. A process according to claim 2, characterized in that the special network element (7), after checking the current charge credit allocated to the data, builds up the connections (8, 9) to the called- and to the calling subscribers (4, 1).

12. A process according to claim 3, characterized in that the special network element (7), after checking the current charge credit allocated to the data, builds up the connections (8, 9) to the called- and to the calling subscribers (4, 1).